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For: METHODS AND DEVICES FOR IMPEDING CRAWLING ARTHROPODS
FROM ENTERING ENCLOSED AND SEMI-CIRCULAR SPACES

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FIRST RESPONSE

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In response to the Office Action mailed January 15, 2003, please amend the above
referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, lines 1-9, change as follows:

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al This invention relates to pest control, and in particular to methods and devices that
impede arthropods from entering through travel routes into enclosed and semi-enclosed spaces,
and this invention is related to Co-Pending Application Serial No. 10/010,422 filed December 7,
2001 [09/ _____ filed] concurrently with this application, and this invention is a
Continuation-In-Part of U.S. Application 09/750,831 filed December 28, 2000, which claims
priority from U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/181,395 filed February 9, 2000, which
are all incorporated by reference.

TO THE CLAIMS

al Claim 1(First Time Amended). A barrier device for obstructing entry travel routes into enclosed
and semi-enclosed spaces, comprising:

a barrier material sized to fit adjacent to an attachment portion which is sized to fit
between a fixture and a fixed-permanent surface in a room, the barrier material substantially
closing off a passageway along where crawling arthropods can enter the room; and